



APRIL NEWSLETTER



HMS girls Bowling and Basketball had a great season, while our music department has been hard at work performing!

CHECK IT OUT!

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SCHOOL & OFFICE HOURS

School Hours:

🕒 7:45 AM – 2:30 PM

Office Hours:

🕒 7:45 AM – 3:15 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

4/4- EARLY RELEASE 1:00- SPRING BREAK
4/7-4/11- SPRING BREAK-NO SCHOOL
4/14- Track and Field starts! Sign up in final forms! MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL and ASB CARD TO PARTICIPATE!
5/13, 5/15, 5/27 and 5/29- Testing for 6th, 7th and 8th grade. (See page 3)
5/20- ONLY 8th grade testing for Science
5/26- Memorial Day- NO SCHOOL
6/13- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Huntington Middle School



Principal: Kim Allais
500 Redpath St. Kelso, WA 98626

Testing Coordinator: Melody Bell
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Dear Families/Guardians:

This spring, your student in grades 3-8 and 10 will take the Smarter Balanced tests in Math and English Language Arts. Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will also take the Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS).

The results from these tests will give a more accurate picture of whether students are on track to be ready for college or career. For students in grade 10, the Smarter Balanced tests can also be used as a graduation pathway.

Our school is scheduled to take the tests May 13th, May 15th, May 20th (8th grade only WCAS during their science class period), May 27th, and May 29th from 7:50 -10:20am. Please ensure your child arrives on time to school. Students who arrive late to their testing session are unable to take the test that day and will be taken to a non-testing location until normal class resumes at 10:20am. Instead, they will be scheduled for makeups at a later time. We encourage you to plan any appointments and/or other necessary absences accordingly.

For more information about the [Smarter Balanced and WCAS](#) tests, visit:

<https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/testing/state-testing-overview>, and click on the name of the test.

Thank you for your continuous effort to ensure your student's success. Huntington aspires for all students to leave us with a solid foundation of skills and a future full of opportunities. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to better support your student during testing time.

Sincerely,

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Estimada familia/tutor:

Esta primavera, su niño en los grados de 3 a 8 y en el 10 grado realizará las pruebas Smarter Balanced en Matemáticas y Lengua y Literatura en Inglés. Los estudiantes de 5, 8, 11, grado también realizarán la Evaluación Integral de Ciencias de Washington (Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science, WCAS).

Los resultados de estas pruebas darán una idea más precisa de si los estudiantes están bien preparados para la universidad o la carrera profesional. Para los estudiantes de 10.º grado, las pruebas Smarter Balanced también pueden utilizarse como vía para la graduación.

La mayoría de los estudiantes realizarán las pruebas en línea. Nuestra escuela está programada para realizar las pruebas May 13th, Math 15th, May 20th (8 unico), May 27th, y May 29th. Le recomendamos que planifique cualquier cita y/o ausencia necesaria en consecuencia.

Para obtener más información sobre las pruebas [Smarter Balanced y WCAS](#), visite: <https://www.k12.wa.us/student-success/testing/state-testing-overview>, y haga clic en el nombre de la prueba.

PAgradecemos que siga colaborando con nosotros para que su niño tenga éxito. No dude en indicarnos si podemos hacer algo para apoyar mejor a su niño. Deseamos que los estudiantes terminen sus estudios con una base sólida de habilidades y un futuro lleno de oportunidades.

Atentamente,

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School Staff



Kim Allais
Principal

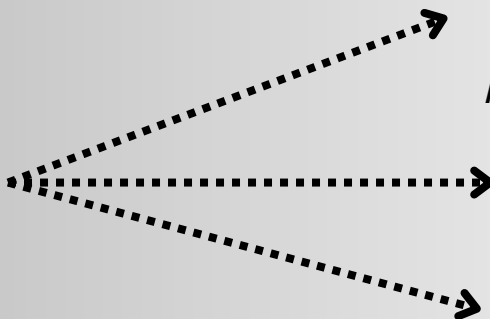


Chris Wiseman
Assist. Principal



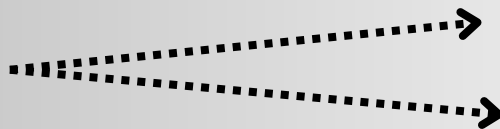
Rachelle Simmons
Dean of Students

Secretaries



Tiffany Phillips
Administrative Secretary
Jenny Parsons
Registrar
Holly Fraser
Attendance Clerk

Counselors

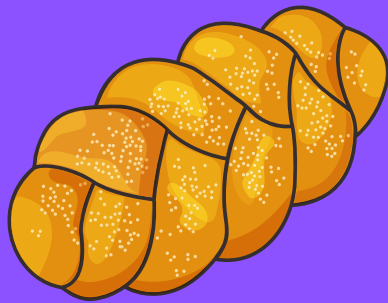


Christina Zepeda
Last Names A-L
Rebecca Viscuso
Last Names M-Z

Health Specialist



Alysha Vossen



BUTTER BRAID

**FUNDRAISER FOR NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR
SOCIETY MEMBERS!**

Fundraiser ends 4/18! Delivery is estimated to arrive around 4/22. Click link below and select your student to order! Students must be registered to sell. Check with Ms. Bowen for questions.

<https://store.myfundraisingplace.com/84555b95-0cad-4571-b395-a0df584942f9>



Husky Clubs



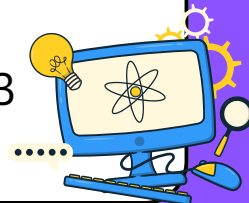
Healthy Cooking

Meets Thursdays
2:30-4:00pm
April 24-May 22



Computer Coding/Robotics

Meets on Mon/Tue/Thur
2:30-3:30pm
Nov. 12-Mar. 13



Drama Club

Meets on Tuesdays
2:30-4:00pm
Oct. 1-Jun. 3



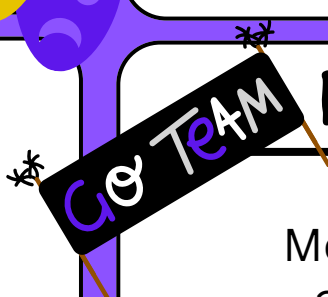
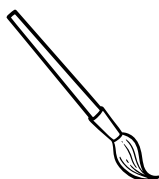
FCA

Meets on Thursdays
7:15am-7:45am



Art Club

Meets on Thursdays
2:30pm-4:00pm
Jan. 28-Jun. 5



Pep Club

Meets Mondays
2:30-3:30pm
Oct. 7-Jun. 2

Science Support

Meets Mondays
2:30-3:30pm
Oct. 7-Jun. 6



Walking/Running Club

Meets Mon/Tue/Thur
2:30-4:00pm
Mar. 3-Mar. 28





Husky Clubs



Flag Football

Meets on Mon/Tue/Thur

2:30-4:15pm

April 14th-Jun. 10

1st day meet in the shop.



Math Support

Meets on Tuesdays

2:30-3:45pm

Sept. 9-Jan. 21

Jan. 28-May. 27



Permission slips for the clubs listed above are located in the main office.



Garden Club permission slips in the office!



EARLY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES in Kelso

FREE

Preschool Pups

& TK (Transition to Kindergarten)

SPACE IS LIMITED

- VISIT bit.ly/ksd-early, or
- EMAIL early.learning@kelsosd.org



Kindergarten

REGISTER NOW

- PICK UP A PACKET at your elementary school, or
- VISIT bit.ly/enrollatksd, or
- CALL your school office



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★ palooza ★

Tuesday, May 6

5:00 - 6:30 pm @ Coweeman Middle School

- Meet Kelso teachers
- Board & ride a school bus
- Class of 2038 photo booth
- And MORE!

Too young for kindergarten?
Come anyway & learn about:

- Transition to Kinder
- Preschool Pups

Learn more: bit.ly/enrollatksd



THINGS TO KNOW



CELL PHONES ARE ALLOWED AT SCHOOL, THEY MUST BE KEPT OFF AND IN BACKPACKS. STUDENTS MAY BE ON THEIR PHONE DURING LUNCH TIME ONLY.



IF YOUR STUDENT CALLS HOME NOT FEELING WELL, PLEASE DIRECT THEM TO GO SEE THE SCHOOL NURSE BEFORE BEING PICKED UP.



IF YOUR STUDENT HAS AN APPOINTMENT DURING THE SCHOOL DAY CALLING THE OFFICE AHEAD OF TIME WILL HELP GET YOUR STUDENT TO THE OFFICE IN A TIMELY MANNER FOR PICK UP. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE PLEASE TRY AND SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS BEFORE OR AFTER SCHOOL.



SPORT SCHEDULES!

For the latest up to date sports schedule, please visit the [Huntington website](#) under Events!



Huntington Middle School

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EVENTS | [See All Events](#)

Sep 3 — Sep 4

ALL DAY

Volleyball tryouts-7th and 8th grade.

Sep 11

ALL DAY

Football Away

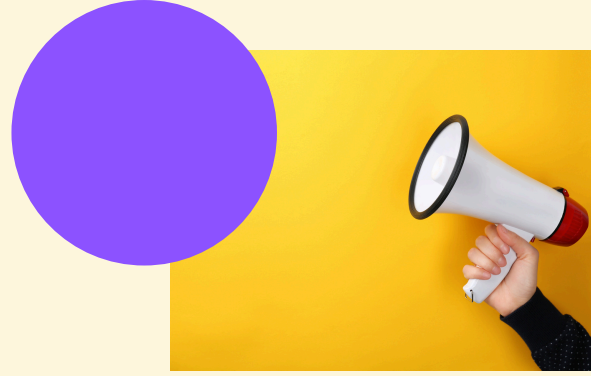
Sep 14

ALL DAY

X-Country Rainier Invitational



HOW TO SIGN UP



TRACK AND FIELD STARTS April 14, 2025

Visit the Huntington website and sign up in
[Final Forms!](#)

All sports **require a sports physical and an ASB card.** If your student does not have a current physical and plans to participate in an upcoming sport, please get one as soon as possible. Call the office with any questions.

The screenshot shows the Huntington Middle School website's athletics section. At the top is the school logo and name. Below is a navigation bar with 'HUNTINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL // ATHLETICS'. The main heading is 'HUNTINGTON ATHLETICS' with a sub-heading 'FINAL FORMS'. The page is divided into two columns. The left column is titled 'ATHLETIC FEES' and includes a photo of students playing basketball and a link 'Click to Pay Here Online'. The right column is titled 'HMS ATHLETIC INFORMATION' and contains the text 'All athletic paperwork is now online.', a link 'FinalForms Directions', and a note 'Please use the link below to sign up for athletics.' followed by a yellow button labeled 'FinalForms.com'.



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Did you know that April is national stress awareness month? As adults we often understand that stress is a normal part of life, and we can utilize stress relief skills to cope with such. Adolescence is often viewed as a carefree time; however, stress is also a very prevalent and natural part of young people's lives as well. For middle schoolers stress can stem from everyday experiences such as balancing school, home, and social life, issues within peer groups, increase of responsibilities, peer pressure, academic struggles, and even social media issues.

However, our adolescents often are not well versed in the utilization of coping skills for stress. Unresolved stress for middle school students can lead to feelings of irritability, anxiousness, aggression, physical illness, lack of sleep, poor concentration, and even substance use. Helping adolescents learn multiple skills for coping with stress can be a great benefit that helps them throughout their lives.

One of the most important things we can do is simply talk to adolescents about their stress levels, what is causing them stress (as well as when), and come up with some strategies to help. Some of these strategies might include simple breathing techniques, journaling or drawing, slowing down to evaluate the situation, making and maintaining a schedule, getting adequate sleep, and even reaching out to a counselor or other trusted adult for help. For middle schoolers these skills can take a lot of practice and help from the adults in their lives.

As we go into Spring Break, attempt to set aside time to connect with your adolescent about their stress level and what they can do about it. Some things you can discuss include types of coping skills and even practice with them, the fact that stress is a normal part of life and even helping them come up with a list of people they can turn to when feeling particularly stressed. When our students know where to turn for help, it can make reaching out a lot easier. Have a fabulous Spring Break and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

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ML FAMILY NIGHT

MAY 8, 2025

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

@ KELSO HS

Growing
TGETHER





AVID AT A GLANCE

for Parents & Families

What is AVID?

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, helps schools and teachers make learning more meaningful and engaging. Research tells us that the most powerful influence on academic achievement is a caring teacher. When students care and connect to both their learning and their teacher, they will succeed!



AVID for Elementary Schools

Putting future leaders on an early path to success in school

AVID Elementary engages young learners and provides them with the critical skills to become confident, independent thinkers who have a thirst for learning. Teachers use AVID strategies to provide students with:

- ✓ Proven ways to succeed in school
- ✓ Writing to learn, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading to learn
- ✓ Note-taking and time management skills
- ✓ Best ways to work together inside and outside of the classroom

AVID for Middle and High Schools

Moving future leaders toward college success and beyond

AVID's teaching strategies and curriculum build positive teacher-student relationships to ensure student success schoolwide. AVID Elective students:

- ✓ Enroll in advanced courses (AP®)
- ✓ Receive academic instruction and tutorial support
- ✓ Strengthen their writing skills
- ✓ Improve study and organization skills
- ✓ Gain "college knowledge"
- ✓ Visit colleges and explore careers

Nationally, AVID students excel in success metrics, which is impressive given the adversity they face.

- ▶ Low socioeconomic status
- ▶ Underrepresented race/ethnicity
- ▶ Parents have no college experience

98%

graduate from
high school

93%

complete four-year college
entrance requirements

79%

are accepted into
four-year colleges

88%

persist into their
second year of college

Doesn't your student deserve the AVID experience?

For more information, **contact your school** and ask about their AVID program.



ALYSHA VOSSEN
HMS HEALTH SPECIALIST

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

Husky Health Tips!

Here are a few tips to help keep our Huskies healthy:

- Wash your hands frequently
- Avoid sharing drinks with others
- Try not to touch your eyes, nose, or mouth
- Get plenty of sleep each night
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with your elbow or sleeve
- Stay home if you're feeling sick or have a fever (Check out additional health guidelines)



REMINDER

Students that are leaving due to illness and/or injury must be released through the health room.

If your child is feeling unwell at school, please remind them to check into the Health Room before contacting a parent to leave. Our staff is here to assist and provide support. This helps us ensure students are properly cared for while at school and avoids unnecessary early dismissals.

SHOULD MY CHILD BE AT SCHOOL WITH THIS ILLNESS?

Here are guidelines for sending your child to school. If you have questions, please call the health specialist at your school or your health care provider.

Your child may go to school when he or she has ALL of the following:

- Only mild cold symptoms, or no cold symptoms.
- Normal temperature (under 100.4 degrees) for 24 hours or more.
- Enough energy to do school work.
- Can keep from spreading germs by washing their hands, throwing away used tissues, coughing onto their sleeve, and coughing away from other people.
- Has been taking antibiotics for MORE than 24 hours (or is not taking any antibiotics).

Your child may NOT go to school when he or she:

- Has a fever (temperature over 100.4 degrees) or needs fever-reducing medicine.
- Has swollen glands.
- Has been taking antibiotics for less than 24 hours.

VOMITING & DIARRHEA

Children must stay home for at least 24 hours after vomiting or having diarrhea (3 or more loose stools in a day). They must be able to eat and drink before coming back to school.

FEVER

Your child must have a normal temperature (under 100.4 degrees) for 24 hours without fever-reducing medicine (such as Tylenol) before returning to school.

HEADACHE

A child should stay home if their headache is bad enough that they cannot do school work, or if they also have other symptoms, such as fever.

EARACHE OR TOOTHACHE

A child does not have to miss school because of an earache or a toothache if they are getting medical care, have no other symptoms such as fever, and feel well enough to do school work.

RED EYES

Keep your child home if the white part of the eye is red and there is yellow or green crusty or gooey stuff in the eye.

RASH

Keep your child home if they have a rash over a large part of their body or if the rash is oozing or if it is contagious.

Thanks for helping to keep all of our children healthy!

Fit CHECK



**On Wednesday we
wear Purple and Gold!**



**On Thursday we wear
College wear!**



**On Friday we wear
Blue and Gold!**



KELSO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 458

2024-2025

Student School Calendar

AUGUST 2024

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STUDENT FIRST AND LAST DAYS OF SCHOOL

August 28 First Day
June 12 Last Day

GRADUATION

June 7

STUDENT NON-ATTENDANCE DAYS

September 2 Labor Day
October 4 In-Service Day
November 11 Veterans Day
November 22 Trimester Break
November 25-27 Elementary School Conferences
(No School for Elementary Students ONLY)
November 28-29 Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 Winter Break
January 20 MLK Day
January 27 Semester Break
February 17 Presidents' Day
March 7 Trimester Break
March 14 In-Service Day
April 7 – 11 Spring Break
May 26 Memorial Day

EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

Elementary 1:55 pm, Secondary 1:00 pm
November 27* *Secondary Students Only
December 20
April 4

Last Day of School: Elementary 11:10 am
Secondary 10:05 am

TERM-END DAYS

Trimesters (Elementary and High School)

November 21 Trimester 1
March 6 Trimester 2
June 12 Trimester 3

Semesters (Middle School)

January 24 Semester 1
June 12 Semester 2

SCHOOL HOURS

Elementary Schools

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:45 am – 3:25 pm
Wednesdays 8:45 am – 1:55 pm

Secondary Schools

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:50 am – 2:30 pm
Wednesdays 7:50 am – 1:00 pm

MAKE-UP DAYS

November 22
January 27
March 7
End of School Year

FEBRUARY 2025

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JUNE 2025

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PARENTING WISELY

for Kelso families

Parenting is hard, but Parenting Wisely can help. This online course is designed by family and social scientists to help with tips and tools to parent children. Learn constructive skills proven to solve problem behaviors, family conflict, and more.



Online access,
24/7, when and
where you want!



Two versions:
Young Child, ages 3-11
Teen, ages 11+



Available in
English and
Spanish!

**Contact us for
your FREE online
subscription!**



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CRIAR SABIA MENTE

Para familias de Kelso

La crianza puede ser difícil, pero criar sabia mente puede ayudar. Este curso en línea esta diseñada por la familia y científicos sociales para ayudar con consejos y herramientas para la crianza de los jóvenes. Aprenda habilidades constructivas que prueban resolver mal comportamiento, conflictos familiares, y más.



Acceso en línea,
24/7 Cuando y
donde quiera!



dos versiones:
niños pequeños edades 3-11
adolescentes 11+



disponible en
español e ingles

**Contáctenos para
su suscripción
gratis en línea!**



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esta actividad no está patrocinada o respaldada por el distrito escolar de Kelso

GOOD TO KNOW



Bus Routes

Information can be found [HERE](#) for bus routes.

Bell Schedule

Information can be found [HERE](#) for the bell schedule.

Lunch Menu

Information can be found [HERE](#) for the monthly menu.

Lost and Found

Lost and Found is disposed of monthly- please have your student check this area frequently.

Bus Pass/Early Release

If your student will be released early or riding a different bus home please call the office before 2pm to ensure there is adequate time to notify students.

For more information:

360-501-1700

ATTENDANCE

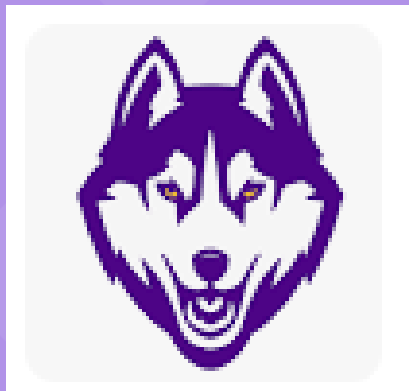
Late arrivals in the morning

- If your student is late to school please notify the office to have the tardy excused.

How to report an absence

1. Log into skyward family access- fill out absence request
2. Call the HMS main office- 501-1700
3. Email- holly.fraser@kelsosd.org- Attendance clerk

***Please make sure to call the office by 2pm (Wednesday's 12:30) for after school arrangements.**



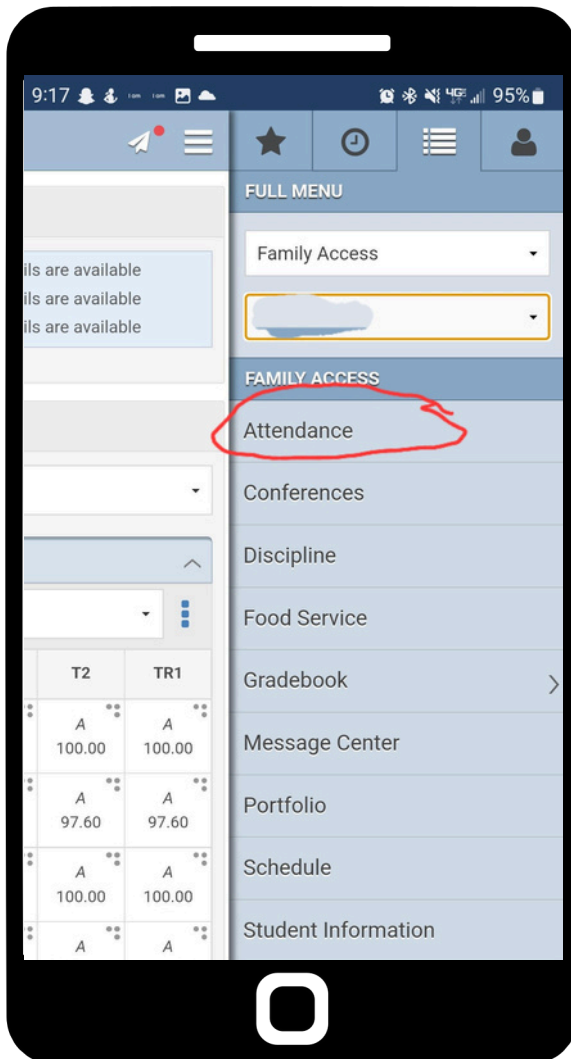


FAMILY MOBILE APP

All the benefits of Family Access on your phone
Entering your student's attendance



DOWNLOAD TODAY, AND STAY UP-TO-DATE ON THE GO

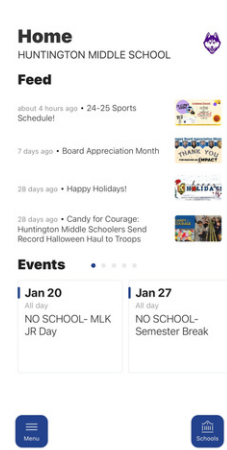
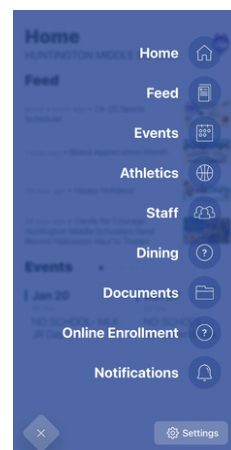
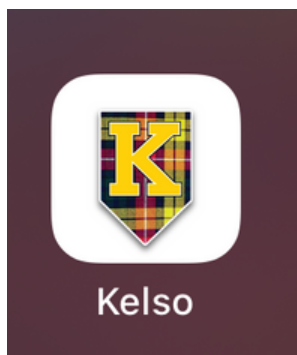


How - To

- Log onto your Skyward account on the App
- Using the drop-down menu, choose your student
- Choose the date (date range if multiple days)
- If the absence will not be a full day, click off the toggle switch and fill in the time
- Using the drop-down menu, choose an absence reason
- Hit 'submit' when you are finished
- This can be done from a computer as well!

[Click here](#) for more information!

EXPLORE the KSD APP!
Have information at
your finger tips!





Attendance - Why it Matters!

Dear Parent/Caregiver, This year, Huntington is making a special effort to ensure that all students fully benefit from their education by attending school regularly. Student attendance is an essential first step for students to learn. We want you to know that our school is committed to supporting your student(s) to attend and access their education. Your students' future is our first priority, and we want to partner with you to ensure their success.

DID YOU KNOW? - [Attendance - Why it Matters!](#)

- By being present at school, your child learns valuable social skills and has the opportunity to develop meaningful relationships with other students and school staff.
- Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, dealing with a bully, or facing some other potentially serious difficulty.
- Starting in kindergarten, too many absences (excused and unexcused) can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10 percent (just two days a month or about 18 days in a year) increases the chance that your student will not read or master math at the same level as their peers.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two days every few weeks.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, regular and high attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU

We miss your student(s) when they are not in school and we value their contributions to our community. We would like you to help ensure that your student attends regularly and is successful in school. If your student is going to be absent, please contact Holly Fraser, HMS attendance clerk at 360.501.1700.

Sincerely,

Klm Allais

Principal

Huntington Middle School

KSD SAFE SCHOOLS EMERGENCY INFORMATION



HOLD

ISOLATED EVENT/MEDICAL ISSUE

STUDENTS

- **CLEAR** hallways, stay in room
- **CONTINUE** as usual
- **WAIT** for "all clear"

ADULTS

- **CLOSE/LOCK** the door
- **ACCOUNT** for students & adults
- **CONTINUE** as usual
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



SECURE & TEACH

POTENTIAL THREAT OF HARM

STUDENTS

- **CONTINUE** as usual
- **WAIT** for "all clear"

ADULTS

- **BRING** everyone indoors
- **LOCK** outside doors
- **INCREASE** awareness
- **ACCOUNT** for students & adults
- **CONTINUE** as usual
- **WAIT** for "all clear"



LOCKDOWN

DEFINITE THREAT OF VIOLENCE OR HARM

STUDENTS

- **MOVE** out of sight
- **MAINTAIN** silence
- **DO NOT** open door
- **PREPARE** to evade/defend

ADULTS

- **RECOVER** students from hall if possible
- **LOCK** room doors
- **ACCOUNT** for students & adults
- **TURN OFF** lights
- **MOVE** out of sight
- **MAINTAIN** silence
- **DO NOT** open door
- **PREPARE** to evade/defend



SHELTER IN PLACE

HAZARDOUS OUTDOOR ATMOSPHERE

STUDENTS

- **USE** appropriate strategy

HAZARD STRATEGY

Tornado.....Get to shelter
Hazmat.....Seal the room
Earthquake...Drop, cover, hold
Tsunami.....Get to high ground

ADULTS

- **LEAD** safety strategy
- **ACCOUNT** for students & adults
- **NOTIFY** if missing, extra, or injured people



EVACUATE

FIRE / INTERNAL THREAT

STUDENTS

- **LEAVE** items behind if needed
- **BRING** phone if possible
- **FOLLOW** instructions

ADULTS

- **LEAD** students to location
- **ACCOUNT** for students & adults
- **NOTIFY** if missing, extra, or injured people

KEY REMINDERS

- **NO PROPPED OPEN DOORS**
- **MAINTAIN ADULT VISIBILITY**
- **SEE or HEAR SOMETHING,**

HearMeWA Tipline

CALL 888-537-1634

TEXT

HearMeWA to 738477



EMERGENCY CONTACTS

911

SUICIDE HOTLINE

988

COWLITZ CO. CRISIS LINE

360.425.6064

KELSO POLICE

360.423.1270

SHERIFF

360.577.3092

SEXUAL ASSAULT

1.800.656.4673

HOTLINE

CHILD PROTECTIVE

SERVICE

360.501.2600

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1.800.799.7233

or text START to 88788

1.800.222.1222

POISON CONTROL

1.800.662.4357

DRUG/ALCOHOL

HOTLINE



PLAN FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

Snow, ice, and wind can impact our ability to conduct school activities as planned. Depending on the road conditions, any one of the following may happen:

- 1) **Buses are on snow routes.**
All schools and activities continue, but some routes are altered. Snow route details are on our Transportation web page.
- 2) **School is delayed two hours.**
Buses pick up students two hours later than normal; no breakfast or AM preschool.
- 3) **School is canceled for the day.**
All schools, activities, and athletics are canceled for the day.
- 4) **School is dismissed early.**
All activities and athletics are canceled.

HOW WE DECIDE

Before deciding to close schools, district officials consult county road crews and our own employees who are out driving the roads in the early hours of the morning.

Our district covers a large region with steep terrain in places. While roads may be passable in town, conditions may be different just a few miles away. Before we close schools we seek answers to the questions below:

- Can we ensure that buses can navigate streets safely?
- Will students be safe waiting for buses, driving, or walking to school?
- What are the predicted weather conditions later in the school day so we can also ensure students a safe return home?
- Will conditions be substantially improved if we start school late?
- Will we have heat and lights in our schools?

HOW WE INFORM YOU

We attempt to provide you with as much prior notice of school closures as possible. We make every effort to announce changes by 6 AM and we use a variety of methods to get the information to parents and staff.

KSD Website

Check the homepage on kelso.wednet.edu.

KSD App

Download the Kelso School District app and enable notifications for the district and/or specific schools.

Text & Email

We'll use the cell phone number and email you have listed in Skyward. Please make sure your contact information is correct.

Flash Alert

Subscribe to FlashAlert to receive weather-related schedule changes by email and/or text. Push notification is available with the FlashAlert app. To subscribe, look under the "How do I" tab on our website: kelso.wednet.edu.

Radio/Television

Portland TV stations will carry basic information about school closures. For more detailed information, especially about changes in bus routes, please listen to local radio stations.

Social Media

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter @KelsoSchools for updates on school closures and bus routes.

For a recorded message of changes in bus routes and/or school closures, call: (360) 501-1990.

Remember:

No news is good news! We only make announcements when there are changes in normal routine.



Kelso School District Info Line: 501-1990

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All Kelso schools take the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB) of students very seriously. According to the most recent Healthy Youth Survey, the majority of students in Kelso schools indicate that they feel safe at school. Any student, parent or other interested adult can report an incident of HIB using the Kelso Incident Report Form (which is available on the website and in the main office of all schools).

Harassment, Intimidation or Bullying (HIB) is an intentional electronic, written, verbal, or physical act that:

- Physically harms a student or damages the student's property.
- Has the effect of substantially interfering with a student's education.
- Is so severe, persistent, or pervasive that it creates an intimidating or threatening educational environment.
- Has the effect of substantially disrupting the orderly operation of the school.

If you have any questions about this policy please contact the principal of your child's school, or the Director of Student Services, Gunnar Guttormsen, at the Kelso School District office.



Kelso School District #458 complies with all federal rules and regulations and does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United

States Code. The following employee(s) has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, the school district's Title VII Officer and ADA Coordinator. People of disability may request reasonable accommodation in the hiring process by contacting, Holly Budge, Director of Human Resources, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 or (360) 501-1924.

Inquiries regarding compliance procedures regarding students may be directed to Don Iverson, Director of Student Services, the school district's Title IX Coordinator or Heather Ogden, Director of Special Programs, the school district's Section 504 Coordinator, 601 Crawford Street, Kelso, WA 98626 (360) 501-1900.

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